

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts iii.

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterances." Acts xiv.

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THERE IS HEALING IN THE ATONEMENT FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK!

If you are not Baptized With The Holy Ghost and Fire you Should be!

A DEEPER SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE

Should be Sought And Obtained so Every Ounce of Blood Will Count.

WE WANT THE VERY BEST AND MUST HAVE IT FOR JESUS' SAKE

"If there is anything more, of course I want it," is a very common expression among certain people in these days. Hearts are hungering and thirsting after God. He has made it so. He is drawing them and many are easily pulled along by the attractions thrown out by the Bible and the Holy Ghost.

There is a greater fullness awaiting many. They have not possessed it all yet, although their "cup" has often been filled full and running over. The previous fillings may not have leaked out, but have been used out, therefore they need a refilling. This may be illustrated by the experience of the disciples in early times. They were filled on the day of Pentecost, but a few days later they were all refilled, or filled again.

There is no need of emptiness when there are such great resources from which to draw supplies. A certain man was once standing on the wall of a great lock. Outside was a huge lake vessel about to enter. In describing the scene he said, "At my feet lay the empty lock—waiting. For what? Waiting to be filled. Away beyond lay great Lake Superior with its limitless abundance of supply, also waiting. Waiting for what? Waiting for something to be done at that lock ere the great lake could pour in its fullness. In a moment it was done. The lock-keeper reached out his hand and touched a steel lever. A little wicket gate sprang open under the magic touch. At once the water in the lock began to boil, and seethe. As it seethed I saw it rapidly creeping up the walls of the lock. In a few moments the lock was full. The great gates swung open and the huge ship floated into the lock now filled to the brim with the fullness in-poured from the waiting lake without."

Is not this a picture of a great truth about the Holy Ghost? Here are God's children like that empty lock, waiting to be filled. And as that great inland sea outside the lock was willing and waiting to pour its abundance into the lock, so here is God willing to pour His fullness of life into the lives of His children. But often He is waiting. Waiting for what? Waiting, as the lake waited, for something to be done by us. Waiting for us to reach forth and touch that tiny wicket gate of consecration through which His abundant life shall flow and fill.

Is it hard to move sometimes? Are there difficulties to contend with that prevent the opening of the soul? Does the rust of worldliness corrode it? Are there influences around you that prevent a full yieldedness? Do the weeds and ivy vines of selfishness cling about and choke it? Is the will stubborn, and slow to

yield? Yet God is waiting for it. And once the gate is opened, He reveals Himself in fullness of life, even as He has promised; even as He has been all the time willing and ready to do.

To the Ephesians Paul wrote, "For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, * * * that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God." (Eph. 3:14-19.)

Paul knew there were hindrances. He prayed to God to remove them so the Ephesian brethren could be filled. He prayed that the little wicket gate might be opened so God could pour His fullness into their lives. No doubt some faithful father in Israel is praying for you. He knows God is waiting to fill you. He knows the barriers and hindrances are all on your side. This consecrated father knows there are barriers of unyieldedness that must be removed. Thus he prays like Paul, "O, God, grant that, according to the riches of thy glory, these may be filled with all of thy fullness."

But why be filled with all the fullness of God? Is it just for your joy and pleasure? Is it just to satisfy your longing heart? That may be your first thought, but there is more to it than that. What was the great lock filled with water for? Why was the abundant supply of Lake Superior poured into that lock? It was to make it possible for that great vessel with its valuable cargo to pass through to its destination. Then why is it necessary for you to be filled with all the fullness of God? The answer is plain and simple, that you may be made a channel or instrument by which perishing souls may be rescued and transported to their destination—heaven.

There is to be no selfishness in seeking to be filled with all the fullness of God. There must be no self-seeking interests—not the good of yourselves only, but the good of others. You are to be instruments in the hands of God for service. Do you remember that wondrous word in Romans 6:13, where we are exhorted by Paul to yield our members as instruments? The marginal reading is "weapons." Then we are to be weapons—God's weapons. This is a striking figure. Yield yourself to God as a weapon. God wants you to be a spear that He can fit to His hand and hurl into the heart of the enemies' country. God wants you to be a keen, glittering blade with which He may cut His way through the very hosts of sin. God wants you to be a mighty

battering ram that He may break down the battlements of sin. God wants you to be instruments—weapons. To do the most effective service many of you will need a deeper spiritual experience. And this should be sought and obtained so every ounce of blood will count. We want the very best and must have it for Jesus' sake.

Moses took the rod of God in his hand and brought forth water from the rock; he opened a pathway through the sea, and he smote the kingdom of Satan as represented by Pharaoh. Give your life to God, and He will make to flow out from it streams of refreshing as from the smitten rock. Give your life to God and he will cause that life to be a pathfinder to other men and women. Give your life to God and He will make it strong to crush the power of Satan's kingdom.

A story is told in the "Idylls of the King" that may help to fix this wonderful truth in your minds. The king came down to the lake shore, leaning upon the arm of his last faithful knight, Sir Bedivere, and took his sword, Excalibur, and handed it to the knight saying to him, "Take it down to the lake shore; cast it into the water; watch what happens, and come back and tell me the result." Sir Bedivere took the blade, went down to the shore of the sea, and hid it in the rushes, for he had not the heart to cast it away. And then he came back to the king with a falsehood. Straightway the king bade him go again, and do his last behest. And thereupon, again, he went down to the shore. He scanned the marvelous sword, with its keen edge, tempered blade, and hilt bedecked with precious stone of unspeakable value, and he had not the heart to cast away the precious weapon. So he hid it again, and came back to the king with the same lie upon his lips. And then the dying king, in hot indignation, warned him that, unless he hastened immediately to do his bidding, he would rise and put him to death with his own hands. Upon that the knight ran with hasty steps, picked up the blade, lifted it in the air, and hurling it out over the sea, waited to see it sink. But it sank not. Instead there rose up from the bosom of the mere, a wondrous hand, "Clothed in white samite, mystic, wonderful, which laid hold of the marvelous sword, brandished it three times in the air, and then drew it down into the quiet waters beneath. The precious blade had not been cast away. It had only been taken back by him who first bestowed it upon the king.

Beloved, as you read this story to-night, the life which God is beseeching of you lies before you in all splendor, like that blazing sword beside the faltering knight. How precious it is! How strong! How pregnant with possibilities for the future! To give it to God may seem like casting it away—like hurling it to a place of absolute loss. But you are mistaken! For when you cast it forth, it falls—not into an

engulfing sea where it is lost, but into the sea of God's love and God's will for your life. And there reaches up a hand, not "clothed with white samite," but a blood-stained hand; a pierced hand; the hand that holds you and me to-night and it takes your life and draws it down into the sea of God's great plan and purpose, and makes it a weapon in God's hands for the glory of His kingdom.

Go deeper, beloved, get the very best that God has for you, that you may be more effective in God's service. Do not mind the attractions of the world. Do not think the price is too high to pay. Do not think the cross is too heavy to bear. Open the lock and let the fullness of God pour into your soul. Do this for Jesus' sake. Remember that Jesus purchased you with His own blood and you are not your own. Do not allow one drop of that precious blood to be wasted because you fail to make the final consecration without reserve.

Surely you can trust the man that died for you. You can trust Him to lead you in the path which is the very best for you in this world. You can trust Him to baffle no plan which is not best to be foiled, and to carry out every one which is for God's glory and your highest good. You can trust Him to ask no service or obedience which will not end in the highest blessing both for your life and the kingdom of God. You can trust Him to rob you of naught which is not for your highest good, and to bestow in fullness upon you the riches of His grace and love.

From a missionary came the following story, viz. "A trying mishap had come to us in our work. A fire had broken out in the mission home. Before it could be quenched the roof was entirely consumed. The finances of the work were at low ebb. Every dollar was needed for the necessary work of the mission. The blow was a heavy one. That evening, as wife and I sat and talked over the situation, it seemed as depressing as possible. By and by as we talked we heard the patter of little feet on the stairway. The stair door opened, in came four white robed figures our own little ones. The oldest of the four walked up to us with a knotted handkerchief in her hand. Untying it, she emptied the contents into my hands. There lay all their little store of earthly wealth—pennies, half-pennies and smaller fractional coins. 'Papa and mamma,' said she, 'we do not have very much, but all we have we want to give to help put the roof on the mission house.' A tear stole down the missionary's cheek as he told the story and with faltering voice he said, 'It was not much they gave, my brother, but it was all they had. And, Oh, it was so acceptable!'

Ah, beloved, our Father above is not a task master, hard and exacting. He knows how little at best we have to give compared with what He has already given us. Neither does He frown upon us because we know so little about what consecration means in all of the sweet and fullness of it. But He asks of us that we give ourselves to Him the best we know and hold nothing in re-

serve. And however stumbling, faltering and feeble our consecration may seem to us, yet if it comes from an honest, earnest, loving heart, it is to Him "a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable, * * * which is (our) reasonable service." (Rom. 12:1.)

Beloved, let me repeat, A deeper spiritual experience should be sought and obtained so every ounce of blood will count for salvation and service. We want the very best and must have it for Jesus' sake. God will help us if we are willing to follow His instructions. We may be useful in His service if we keep ourselves wholly consecrated to Him. He will lavish upon us His love and power if we are faithful to Him.

Such a life of abandonment to God will not only be a blessing to ourselves and others here in this world, but it will be rewarded with bright jewels of heaven in the world to come. God pays us here, but what will it be there! We have victory and joy here, but how much more the fullness there!

Dig deeper, beloved, into the rich veins of spirituals. The supply is inexhaustible. God wants to lavish them upon you. Open the wicket gate and let them flow in. Then let the water of blessing and love bear up the burdened vessels laden with the precious fruit of earth—souls of men. This is your privilege. Let it abound more and more. And it will if you obey.

The Need for Ministers of the Gospel

(The following timely article is contributed by a worthy brother who requests that his name be withheld. The editor believes that it expresses something that he has been wanting to say, and perhaps has said, but not in so many words. You are invited to give it your attention and prayerful consideration.)

On a recent visit to Cleveland, Tennessee, I had opportunity to observe the urgent demand for preachers of the Gospel everywhere. The mails were literally crowded with requests for people to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ in its fullness, and nothing pained the heart of the General Overseer more than to answer on this order:

"I have your request for a preacher to come as pastor of your church. I am sorry to tell you that none is available now. I will surely keep your request in mind and the first opportunity I will recommend some one to you."

A minister's calling is probably the highest in the gift of the work of the Lord, and I am coming to you with a little heart to heart talk on the subject. You are accustomed to hearing, "The harvest truly is great and the laborers are few," and "Go ye," but that is about all you hear. Now I have something else to tell you, and if there are any of you interested in making a future for yourself, so that when you come down to death you can feel that you have done your very best, then it's you I want to talk to. Or, if you are working-working-working-in this work-a-day world, hoping some day to get into some work that you call your own, then it's you I want to talk to.

Let's take stock of you: How

much money are you making a year? How much money did you lay-by last year? How much have you now? What are the prospects for making more money and getting ahead?

Do you have the baptism with the Holy Ghost? Do you have power in prayer?

I raise these questions to start you thinking about just where you stand.

Now I want to talk about the possibilities of the ministry, as a minister of the Church of God. The Church of God needs a large number of preachers immediately to take charge of churches that are already established. Moreover, the Church needs some evangelists and evangelist's assistants. The Church fully understands that you cannot live without money, and the Lord understood that when He designed the money system for the Church. Now I cannot come out and say that the Church will pay you so much for your services no matter who you are, or what your qualifications, but I do venture to say that if you will work as hard for the Church and in the ministry as you work in the factory or on your farm your reward will be as much or more than it is in your present occupation. But of course your reward will be proportionate to your effort. Supposing you are a moulder in a foundry. For three or four years you didn't make as much as you do after your apprenticeship was completed. The same is true in religious work, the better worker you are the better will be your reward. I know one preacher that studies his Bible much, and reads much and prays much, and works hard at his job of pastoring a church. The result is that he always has large crowds, good altar services and good collections. Without any stipulation as to his pay he receives in the neighborhood of \$200.00 a month, and he's worth every cent of it.

I know another preacher who does not know his Bible very well, he never reads any books, he prays only at church and regular prayer services, and then complains because his crowds are not large, the struggle hard, and the collection small. The point is that he is paid what he is worth. I am speaking now of pastors of churches.

Moreover, the money system of the church is up to the pastors. If they succeed in teaching the proper system to the congregations which they have, they need have no fears of the comforts of life. This has been clearly demonstrated.

I know a young man probably twenty-five who was working in a mill at about \$15.00 a week (this was four years ago). For a year after he was converted and baptized with the Holy Ghost he studied incessantly, and prayed and practised preaching at cottage prayer meetings, and began to branch out. Today he is pastor of a splendid Church of God, a reliable and trustworthy man in every sense of the word and his income keeps him and his wife and babies in comfort and he is

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The Church of God is moving on in victory regardless of attacks and criticism.

Some people seem to delight to block the way of the free flow of salvation. I wonder why.

The Sunday school work is progressing nicely. If you have not ordered your literature for next quarter, you should do so at once.

Churches should not neglect the support and expenses of the overseers of the states. Every church should contribute something to this end every month.

Things are moving at the Evangel office. You may be surprised when you read the reports soon, but I am sure you will rejoice when it is made known. Drop in and see us when convenient.

There are now many revivals in progress. Good reports are coming in from many places. The good work continues while the opposers oppose. But we are too busy with His glorious work to give attention to the opposers except to pray for them.

It will pay you well in eternity and I believe here also, if you will help us extend the circulation of the Evangel. There is no paper like it and every body ought to see it. Send for extra copies and hand them to your friends and ask them to subscribe.

We will soon have L. Howard Juilliat's new book ready for circulation. Do not order, however, until you see the notice in the Evangel. This book is composed of writings by this illustrious author before his decease last November, collected by his wife since that time. I am very sure every one of the Evangel family will want a copy of this great book. The price has not yet been fixed.

The gospel fans are still going by the thousands, and the people are still fanning, and there will be no end to fanning for months, so we are making preparations to supply fans and fans to all who want them. These fans are covered over with good news, Scripture verses, notices etc. These fans will help to make people comfortable during the hot weather, and the gospel message on them may help to lead some one to Christ. Order them by the hundreds and circulate them everywhere. 35 cents per doz., \$2.25 per hundred. Special prices in larger quantities.

We have had several cases in

court quite recently, three in Tennessee, one in Illinois, one in Florida, one in Louisiana, besides J. W. Murray's case, who is in the Federal prison. One in Tennessee has won great victory for the Church, one of the others is so far along that great good is already showing and it has won many friends for us. The one in Louisiana has been disposed of with good results. It is true now as well as in Paul's day, that all these things "have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel." Our people never intentionally violate the laws of the states, and where they are enthralled it usually develops that prejudice is back of it. We do not mind persecutions, but I earnestly hope our people will be wise enough to avoid any trouble that would make way for it to be truthfully said, "They are buffeted for their faults."

We want to keep before our friends the importance of increasing the circulation of the Evangel. The steady increase has been very satisfactory in the past, but it is now time for us to make a special pull for the twenty thousand mark. We want to make sure of this by the Assembly in November, but we do not feel that it is best to "rest on our oars" and "just suppose" we will go over the top in the allotted time. Remember we must work if we win. The paper is gradually winning its way toward the top among other papers, and has the favor and love of its thousands. The messages it contains should be read by thousands more, and they need them now. Hope our friends will give this matter their careful consideration and make another special effort to secure subscriptions. We can add a few thousand more at very little more cost and thus get the good word to many more at but very little more expense. Please do your best and do it quickly. We will take pleasure in supplying you with subscription blanks for the asking, and if you need extra copies of the paper send for them. Let us all go into this heart and soul and make one more good run and reach the twenty thousand mark in the next few weeks. I thank you in advance for your loving assistance in this great work.

We are still selling Bible cases. Those who purchase them seem to be well pleased. They are made to protect your Bibles and large enough to carry a Bible and song book. Give the dimensions of your Bible and send \$1.75 and we will try to give you a fit. If your Bible measures more than nine inches they come higher.

The Church of God Bible Training School is now an established institution. We already have several applications for attendance. The school opens Sept. 29. This is earlier than usual, but not too early to get the work done that is necessary. We will take pleasure in supplying you with information if you write us. We hope to have at least fifty students this year. The prospect is good for this number, besides 200 in the correspondence department.

Every body should pay tithes to the Lord. This is His rent money, and no one should attempt to rob Him of His own. The tithe means one tenth of your net income. But you are to pay for the upkeep of your family out of the nineteenth left. You also should give offerings out of your nineteenth.

Have just been informed by Paul Vondraun of New York City that they are planning for a revival campaign in that great city beginning July 9. M. S. Lemons of Atlanta, Ga. and Efford Haynes and wife of Chillicothe, Ohio have been in-

vited to take charge of the meeting. We hope this campaign will be a great success and that many souls will be saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. We also trust that it will lead to the establishment of the Lord's Church in that great city. We are pleased to note also that our own son is actively engaged with others in planning for this meeting and will lend his assistance every way he can.

Be loyal to the Church if you are a member! This is the sentiment expressed by many. A few words from the pen of Louis Purcell of Alpharetta, Ga., expresses the views of thousands. We give his own words: "I notice some people are pulling out of the Church of God, but none of these things move me. I praise God for His great Church, and love it more and more. I expect to stand by the Church of God as long as I live." We appreciate the good words of our dear brother to us. May he live long and continue his beautiful service for the Master and increase more and more as the days go by.

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Elizabethton, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: We wish to report victory for this town. Brother Alexander arrived and the meeting started last Wednesday night. The churches are now deserted and the people are attending the services. The people are stirred, many are coming to the altar seeking salvation, sanctification, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah!

The case came up in court this afternoon and a number of influential men appeared before the officials in our behalf. The case was thrown out of court and the prosecutors must pay the cost. The judge said this was the only religion and the very best thing that had ever come to town. Three deacons of the baptist church are now seeking the Holy Ghost, the pastor is now with us and said that this is the right way and is now preaching the blessed truth.

One man, an elder of the Presbyterian church and alderman, appeared in court in our behalf and assisted in having the case dismissed. He congratulated Brother Alexander on the sermon he preached Sunday evening. He is standing for the Church of God. He has had a special officer appointed for our protection. The merchants who signed our bail bonds are now with us. The man who had the charges preferred against us met Brother Alexander and told him that this should not have been done. The attorney told us before the court started that he would have the case thrown out. The post master also stood for us and used his influence for us during the trial.

The people are very interested in the services and I request you to permit Brother Alexander to remain here as he will build up the work and evangelize in other cities and help to open up new work. We took in three new

members and we are certainly having a good revival, the saints are shouting, dancing, and speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. Glory!

Brother Alexander took up a good offering Saturday and Sunday nights and the report is better. We have the best wishes of the people in the town, and without a doubt this will be one of the strongest churches in Tennessee shortly. The house is filled and large crowds on the outside.

We are so glad Brother Alexander came here to conduct the services and to help us fight the case and that he talked the matter over with the business people.

Your brother in Christ,
L. C. Yates.

Inverness, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints Scattered Abroad: About a year ago the Lord saved, sanctified, and filled me with the Holy Ghost. Glory to God! I praise Him for His healing power. He healed me of the influenza instantly. I am glad I have found the way Jesus went. I thank Him for His keeping power and for adding me to the Church of God which was purchased by the blood of Jesus.

I want all the saints to pray for me that I may be a soul winner for Jesus.

Your weak brother in Jesus,
J. L. Tindale.

Reynolds Station, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Dear Saints Scattered Abroad: I praise God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost, and because I still have the victory and want to see souls saved.

There are about twelve saints here and others who would like to hear the Word. I wish some holiness man would come here and preach for us. I would like for Brother Barnett and Brother Ford to come here and hold a meeting. We have a good place at Deerfield, Ky. I praise the Lord for the good work He is doing these last days.

I praise God for His healing power and because I am a member of the dear Church of God. I desire the prayers of the saints that my mother, father, brothers and sisters may be saved and that I may do His will at any cost. Pray for us that we may have a good meeting.

Your humble sister under the blood,
Mrs. Emily White.

Lexington, N. C.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: I once gave my hand to a minister of the gospel at a reformed church which was claimed as repentance and that henceforth I would live a Christian. I walked in all the light I had for a time but I began to read my Bible carefully and saw that things were not carried on in the church according to the Bible. This became a stumbling block to me.

I have believed in holiness and that we should go on to perfection for some time. (Heb. 6:1.) We have not lived up to this Scripture but have stopped with only a good resolution. Something has been telling me all along that greater things were ahead. I did not have the light on these great blessings till last fall. I met some Church of God people who explained many things in the Word of God as to this great plan of salvation.

The "Evangel" has given me much light on the blessed Word of God and our Savior, Jesus Christ. I can see this beautiful way laid out before me but I must admit that I am not among

the saints. I take no part in the church where I am a member because I want the true salvation. One reason I have cut loose from these churches is, "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away."

I see in the Evangel the testimonies of so many who have been saved, sanctified, and filled with the wonderful Teacher, the Holy Ghost, who are going on to perfection and it makes me hungry for true salvation. I have been under conviction for some time and I want every true follower of Jesus in the Church of God to pray for me that I may be saved, sanctified, and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. I feel that the Lord will save me from this bondage of sin. I also desire the prayers of the saints that my wife may see this beautiful highway of holiness and full salvation as I see it.

May the Lord bless the wonderful work of the Evangel and the hands that are put forth to help in His work that this world may look and see and understand and confess, "The stone which the builders refused is become the headstone of the corner." (Psa. 118:22.)

Your friend,
L. M. Glover

Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: The meeting in the hall has continued since December 20, 1918. Many have been saved and sanctified, over fifty received the Holy Ghost, and many have been healed. Two men who were blind have recently received their sight—they are here as witnesses.

We pay fifty dollars a month for the hall and have always had the money ready when it was due. The Lord has found some evangelists here who are doing good work. All of this is much to thank the good Lord for. Come and see us every night. We are at 33 1/2 W. Alabama St., M.S. Lemons.

Report

May 31, I started on a round through Arkansas going first to Memphis, Tenn., and then to Tyrone, Ark., on arrival, I was met at the train by Brother E.L. Pinkley and Brother Martin. Brother Pinkley caught a train for Memphis and Brother Martin and I put on old shoes and went through the mud. After laboring one and one-half hours over fields, through mud and water and river, I found Brother Burk, overseer of Arkansas, and Brother J.F. Dover shouting the victory to a large congregation. We stayed with the saints who were on fire for God till June 2, When Brother Burk and I started through the mud and water with our pants rolled above our knees, fighting mosquitoes, and Brother Burk yelling, "Glory," to the station.

We went from there to Truman, Ark. We learned that there were over one hundred saints of Pentecostal beliefs in that place, but we were unable to do anything. We parted here, Brother Burk leaving for Cleveland, Tenn., and Brother Dover and I for Jonesboro. From there I went to Springfield, Mo.

We found the saints at Tyrone, looking for the soon coming of Jesus. There were eighteen in the altar Sunday night.

When wife and I came to this place the people knew nothing about this salvation, knowing only the baptism of John, but we can now report victory through Jesus. Eight were saved, five sanctified, and five received the Holy Ghost. There are about fifteen to be baptized in water soon.

Yours in His service,
T.P. Cotnam.

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Notice

There will be all day services at the Church of God at Kimberly Ala., July 4, D. V. We are expecting our district overseer to be with us, also our overseer of state if he can possibly come.

There will be some exercises by the Sunday school children. Dinner will be spread near the church.

A special invitation is given to the Sunday schools and churches at Trafford, Pratt City Empire, Dora, and Sibleville, Ala. All others who can come are cordially invited. Come praying for a good time with the Lord for we are expecting Him to do great things in the name of the holy child Jesus.

Louis Ash, Pastor.

Notice

Oklahoma State Camp Meeting and Assembly at Rock Creek Church, three miles west of Tishomingo and three miles east of Ravia, will begin July 4, D. V.

Entertainment will be on the freewill-offering plan except sleeping tents and cots which will be four dollars for the duration of the meeting. Bring your own bedding, toilet articles and other necessities.

Put in your order for tents and cots at least ten days before the meeting begins, but if you are not sure you will come until the last moment, come anyway and we will do the best we can for your comfort.

Tishomingo is on the Rock Island railway and Ravia is on the Frisco. Conveyance to the camp ground will leave both places on arrival of trains.

Everyone is invited to attend, come in your covered wagons and bring your own tents if you have them, pasture will be secured for all teams. Do not forget to bring a box or barrel of provisions for the camp if you can.

R. L. Cotnam, overseer of the Church of God of Oklahoma, will be in charge with the assistance of others.

For further particulars, address,

J. C. Pritchard, Deacon,
Box 276, Tishomingo, Okla.
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Obituaries

Joseph Howell of Ridgedale, Tenn., departed this life June 7, 1919, aged thirty-nine years. His remains were taken to White Oak cemetery for burial. Brother Howell leaves a wife, one daughter and one son, as well as many other relatives and friends, to mourn his loss.

On June 2, 1919, the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister J. W. King and claimed their darling little girl, Viola, aged six years and three months. Her death was caused from a burn which she received in January. She suffered very much but bore it with patience. She would sing, "He was nailed to the cross for me," and seemed to know she was going to die. She told her mother she would never be burned again. At the last she said she was willing to go.

One who loved her,
Mrs. Ellen Smith.

Mrs. Lenis Hutchinson departed this life, June 6, 1919, aged 80 years.

She was a devoted Christian and a true mother. She was not able to attend services but the saints went to her home and prayed with her. She was very happy. Her death was caused by heart trouble.

She leaves to mourn her loss four children and several grand children. She was laid to rest in the Adkins cemetery.

Her grand daughter.

Notice

A Camp Meeting will begin at Morgantown, Miss., July 19, and will continue fifteen days or longer as the Lord leads.

Brother E. B. Culpepper and Brother J. C. Smith of Meadville will be in charge. Everybody is invited to come. We are expecting a good time in the Lord.

J. T. Priest, Dist. Pastor.

Notice

My brother, R. L. Cotnam and myself and workers will start a meeting at Brighton, Mo., July 27, D. V. We expect to set the church in order by the help of the Spirit.

If there are any ministers of the church or others who want to do something for the Lord, Missouri needs you. Most everything is preached here excepting the whole Word of God rightly divided. Only three or four of us are preaching it in this state.

For information in regard to work and places in this state, write

T. P. Cotnam, Evangelist,
Brighton, Mo.

Notice

We are to begin a Camp Meeting at Catchings, Miss., July 14. All are invited and especially the workers. We want to stir the people. God is answering prayer here.

Annie W. Tucker.

Notice

We expect to begin a revival meeting at Shady Grove camp ground, near Scobey, Miss., Thursday night, July 31, which will continue ten days or longer as the Lord directs. All are invited to come. Pray for it to be one of the greatest revivals ever held. For any information write H. S. Harris, Cascilla, Miss.

Your brother,
E. B. Culpepper.

Notice

The Annual meeting of the Church of God will begin at Branford, Fla., Aug. 13, D. V. We want everybody to come for the glory of God.

Mrs. W. G. Vernon, clerk.

Notice

To the members of the Church of God at Sobel, Tenn. Although this district has no

pastor we want a report from the members as to your spiritual condition. Hope you will give attention to this notice for this is business of the Church and God said, "Be not slothful in business."

If we fail to hear from you, you may awake and find that you have been withdrawn from.

Your unworthy brother,
V. A. Bishop.

Dawsonville, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and

All the Saints:

I am praising God for His many blessings. We are twenty five miles from the railroad but praise God, we have a great opportunity to tell these people the wonderful plan of salvation. We are in the devil's territory and he is putting up a hard fight but we have God on our side, and if He be for us who can be against us? Glory to His name. We expect to stand true to Him and to the dear old Church of God. Though the enemy hurls his fiery darts at us, we have the shield of faith that can quench all of his darts. Pray much for us.

Brother and Sister Cross will assist us in this meeting. We found three dear children of God who are seeking the deeper things of God. By the help of our Father we expect to fight sin till Jesus comes or calls. I want all the saints to pray much for us that we may win the victory and that God may heal a man here with cancer of the face. It would mean so much for him to be healed.

We speak so often of our visit to Cleveland and pray that God will give you and Sister Tomlinson strength day by day to do the great work you are doing. God bless everyone in the Evangel office. I wish every member of the Church of God could make you a visit. As long as we have the men for the helm that tarry before God as you did during the elder's meeting I have no fear of the church going down. Jesus said, "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Hallelujah!

Yours in His service,
Annie J. Heath.

Requests

Mrs. E. Franklin of Fork Ridge, Tenn., desires the prayers of the saints that she may receive the Holy Ghost.

J. P. Lowman of Bondtown, Va., desires the prayers of all the saints that he may receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Mrs. Lee Ann Norris of Deer Lodge, Tenn., wants the saints to pray that she and her daughter, Mrs. Elsie Henry, may receive the Holy Ghost.

S. L. Galimore of Whitley, Ky., requests prayer that he may be able to overcome worldly idols and that he may become a Christian.

Mrs. Rosa Whitfield of Way Cross, Ga., requests prayer that her husband may be saved and that she may always do the Lord's will.

Mrs. Dora Renfro, New River, Fla., has heart trouble and wants the saints to pray that she may be healed, also that she may keep humble.

Mrs. H.M. Singleton of Elmer, Okla., asks the saints to pray for her husband and children to be saved and for the healing of her body. She has asthma.

J.H. Whitten of Oxford, Ala., is backslidden and wants the prayers of all the praying people that he and his wife will live for God and have a home of prayer.

Mrs. Annie Turner of Marietta, Ga., desires prayer that she may

grow stronger in the Lord, that He will take the desire for snuff from her, that she may be healed, and that her son who is in prison may be saved.

J.A. Tant of Dawson, Ala., asks that all the saints pray that he may be healed of acute indigestion. The saints at Aragon, Ga., prayed for him while he was there and the pain was removed but he desires to be entirely healed.

Tecnel Proctor of Point, Texas, requests prayer in behalf of Sister Sanford's little boy who has been afflicted for three years with epileptic fits. He had been so he could not talk. The saints fasted and prayed five days and nights. The Lord wonderfully touched his body. He leaped out of the bed and talked but the enemy had afflicted him again just as bad as before.

Mrs. Lucious Boyd of Jayess, Miss., is not satisfied with her experience. She asks all the saints to earnestly pray that God will show her what is hindering her from getting the blessing. She also requests prayer for a dear sister who wants the saints to pray for the healing of her body.

Dear Saints:

Fast and pray and ask God to heal me of cancer of the stomach. I have been in hospitals four times and in April this year I was operated on and given up to die. I thank God I am still living and since then have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2: 4; 10: 46; 19: 6.

When you dear saints read this, please pray for the healing of my body, also pray God's blessings upon my husband who is a minister of the great Church of God here.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jno. L. Centers.

Mrs. Pearl King of Dayton, Tenn., wants the prayers of the saints for her brother-in-law that he may be healed. He has lung trouble and fever.

Lizzie Alexander of Lindale, Ga., requests the saints to pray that she may be healed. She has a bad stomach trouble. She has had spells at times almost like death. She has the Holy Ghost but has fear when it seems that death is near. She wants the saints to pray that she will get complete victory.

Notice

The Church of God at Linden, Fla., would like to hear from H.S. Dicks as to his spiritual condition. May God bless him is the prayers of the church.

D.B. Fussell, Clerk.

Templeton, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints Scattered Abroad:

I thank God for salvation through the blood of Jesus. Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins. The blood was shed for all who will accept it.

Brothers and sisters, a man by the name of W.O. or W.A. Anderson was killed by a train Thursday, June 5, at Templeton, Tenn. He was unknown to most everybody. Some said he was a holiness preacher. Nobody knew his people and could not find any of them. It was said that he was on the railroad praying the morning before he was killed. If anyone reads this who knows his people, tell them he was buried at Templeton, Tenn., near Newbern.

May the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost abide with all that love His appearing. Pray for me.

Your sister in Christ Jesus,
Mollie King.

Eastman, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints:

Hallelujah to God! I am really praising God for salvation and for the joy bubbling up in my soul.

Brother Grover Dunn held a few nights meeting last week here at Walker. He set the church in order Sunday with eight members. Four others were added Sunday night.

The power has been falling. The Lord is still saving, sanctified, and filling with the Holy Ghost. I am so glad the Lord filled me with the Holy Ghost.

I love the Church of God because she stands for something pure and was purchased by our Savior's blood. Bless the dear name of Jesus.

Saints pray for me.

A sister under the blood,
Mary Wallace.

Epworth, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am still saved and the Comforter still abides. I have something to praise the Lord for.

Last August I was working in the mines at Mascot, Tenn., and a big elevator or skip fell on me and crushed my life out for awhile. The report was made that I was dead but thank God I am alive for some purpose. I was taken to a Knoxville hospital against my will. I was there ten weeks and had the influenza during the time. I prayed for deliverance and was finally removed from the hospital. I began to get better till some time ago, inflammation set up. Brothers McLain, Curtis, and Richard came and prayed for me and I have been getting better ever since. I sit up all the time but my legs are still paralyzed. I am trusting the Lord to walk again. Please pray that I may get well. All the honor for my life is due to God.

T.A. Tarpley.

Parish, Fla.

To the Saints Scattered Abroad:

Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and for ever. As many as touched Him were made whole. He is still the same. Bless His name.

Last November as Brother Juillerat and family, husband and I left Cleveland, Tenn., we reached Atlanta and secured rooms for a few days, not knowing what would befall us. On Monday morning I awoke with a chill, a relapse of the influenza, and our friends across the hall were all in bed. I was so bad I could not eat or drink anything.

I wrestled with God and claimed His promises. The very darkness of the pit would fill the room until I cried out in despair to God. Tuesday night Brothers Holt and Middlebrooks came and prayed and anointed me, still the devil held on. Wednesday night Brother Juillerat went home to be with Jesus. In a few hours I had a hemorrhage. Death struck me. I called Brother Lemons and told him I was going home. He fell on his knees and prayed and rebuked death and Jesus heard. (Rom. 8:11.) Jesus is the same. Does He heal today? Yes. Does He raise the dead? Yes. Glory! As life came back into my body, I was left alone pondering on God. Still I was very low. Jesus appeared at the foot of my bed. He was on the cross. I was wonder struck. I do not know how long I gazed upon Him. I heard His sweet voice saying, "What were the stripes of my body for?" I do not know how long it was before I answered. I said, "Lord, for the healing of my body." I began looking at Him again. I heard His voice again, "When will you take it?" As I continued to gaze I said, "Now, Lord." Then He went away. Oh, the depth of the riches both of wisdom and

knowledge of God. How unsearchable are His judgements and His ways past finding out. Dear readers, as I was able to take His blood, I was healed. By His stripes ye are healed.

I could tell wonderful things that God has done for me. I want the world to know. The heathen would like to know Jesus is the same. He heals, He saves, He sanctifies us by His blood, He gives us the Holy Ghost, and He adds us to the Church of God. Glory to His name.

Laid on thine altar, O my Lord divine,
Accept this gift today for Jesus' sake,
I have no jewels to adorn Thy shrine,
Nor any world-famed sacrifice to make;
But here I bring within my trembling hand,
This will of mine—a thing that seemeth small,
And thou alone, O Lord, canst understand,
How, when I yield thee this, I yield mine all.
Hidden therein thy searching gaze can see,
Struggles of passion, visions of delight,
That all I have or am or vain would be,
Deep loves, fond hopes, and longings infinite,
It has been wet with tears and dimmed with sighs,
Clenched in my grasp till beauty hath it none.
Now from thy footstool when it vanquished lies,
The prayer ascendeth, "Thy will be done."
Take it, O Father, lest my courage fail,
And merge it so in thine own will,
That if some of my desperate cries prevail,
And thou give back my gift, it may have been
So changed, so purified, so fair have grown,
So much like thee, so filled with peace divine
I may not know or feel it as mine own.
But going back my will may find it thine.

Yours in His glad service,
Mrs. H.L. Gillett.

Stewart, Miss.

To the Church of God, and Christians Abroad:

I have been a member of the Church for thirty years and I have been led by the Spirit and have lived as near God as I could but my joy wasn't full. I wanted full salvation and I thank God that the original Church of God has been reestablished during my days.

I haven't the gift of the Holy Ghost but I want it and I mean to hold on till I receive it. Dear saints: remember me when you pray.

We have about forty members here and Brother Churchill is our pastor, he is a wonderful man of God.

My wife was sick and Brother Churchill and some of the saints prayed for her. She was healed, I could see the health shining in her face. I am sure that God works when the prayer of faith is prayed. I am enjoying this way and I want the full joy that the apostles had when on their way to Jerusalem. We read in Romans 6: 23, "The wages of sin is death," and in Romans 8:6, "To be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace."

Your brother,
John Vaughn.

Avery, Texas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and the Evangel Family:

I am still saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Jesus is my leader, in Him is my all. I am so glad I ever found this persecuted way. I know without a doubt this is the way. Jesus is my healer and comforter, in the midst of temptation He is with me and makes a way for my escape.

This is a hard place and it takes much praying to overcome but I am walking close to Jesus and He is in touch with me.

It is through prayer that the gospel has reached here. The Word was sowed by E. C. Scar-

brough. Satan sure did fight. The meeting continued eighteen days. No one was saved but some were led into the light and say they will have the experience or die. If anyone is led to come this way and hold a meeting, I would be glad to hear from you. I believe much good could be accomplished.

Pray that God will use Brother and Sister Scarbough to His glory and pray for me.

Your sister in Christ,
Susie Montgomery.

Doerun, Ga.

Dear Saints:

I am still praising God for the great love I feel in my soul. I was saved last June and have been praising God right on. Praise His dear name. I have the Holy Ghost.

I am thirteen years of age. I mean to go through and get what God has in store for me.

Please pray a special prayer for my unsaved brother. I wish every sinner would give their hearts to God for I feel like Jesus is coming soon. Pray that I may stay humble.

Your little sister in Christ,
Pauline Ruls

Blountsville, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to witness for the one who has done so much for me. I can never praise the Lord enough for showing me the light on holiness. For Christ is the way and we know He is holy. Praise His name.

It fills my soul with rejoicing to read the good testimonies how the power of God is being manifested and demonstrated among His people. It makes me feel that the time of His coming is drawing near. Bless His name. He said He would find faith on earth when he returned. Hallelujah!

I am troubled greatly with heart disease, am in bed now. As there are no saints near to call in when I get sick, I want to ask all the saints to pray a special prayer for my healing. I am trusting the Lord entirely. I haven't taken any medicine since I received the Holy Ghost eight years ago.

Please pray that my husband and two children will be reclaimed.

Your sister looking for the soon coming of our blessed Lord,
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Danville, Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for His great love to us. God saved me twenty years ago, sanctified and baptized me later, praise God. I am in the Church of God and it just suits me. I am sure it will stand the test. I believe the Church of God is the exclusive name for the church. Its government and doctrine is the Bible way. I expect to continue preaching this good way, hallelujah. It seems that the world is against us but if we will stand true we will win the day.

I am now at Gastonia, N. C., with my tent. The meeting has begun very good. The Church of God here is standing by us. I don't want to lose any time now. Life is too short.

I am ready to answer calls for tent meetings. If you want our service write me at Danville, Va., N.M. St. 537. If you don't want the clean gospel, don't send for me. I preach in harmony with the Church of God.

Yours,

F. W. Gammon.

Macon, Ga.
Dear Brother Tomlinson:
I am praising God for a free salvation that saves from sin. I feel encouraged to go all the way. Jesus said He would never leave us nor forsake us, but would be with us to the end. I am so glad I ever learned to trust in the healing power of Jesus. He heals me when I get sick.
I am so glad I am in this highway of holiness—no unclean thing shall go this way. The way is so strait and narrow that we can carry nothing with us but Jesus.
I want all the saints to pray for me. I want to get more humble at the feet of Jesus. I want to live so close to Him that I can hear the faintest whisper of His love.
I would like to hear from any of the saints at Jasper, Fla.
Mrs. Annie Bennett,
Box 722, Macon, Ga.

Highpoint, Miss.
Dear Evangel Family—Greetings in Jesus' Sweet Name:
I am praising the Lord because I am really saved from all my sins and living for Jesus, praise God. I have a determination to press on.
Friends, let us do our duty, live the life, hold up the standard, and prove to the world that there is a reality in the salvation of our Lord and Savior. Let us pray for victory in this world of sin.
Your sister in Christ,
Ethel Gladney.

Sapa, Miss.
Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints:
I am praising God for a full and free salvation. On the night of May 27, the Lord wonderfully filled me with the Holy Ghost and I spake with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.
My husband has had the baptism over a year and I have been hungering for the great salvation.
I feel that there is a great need of more laborers in the harvest but, praise God, I am willing to go if He should call. I desire to go deeper in the Lord and I know that He will withhold no good thing from those who walk uprightly.
I desire the prayers of all the saints that I may never turn back but press onward toward the goal.
Mrs. Alma Churchill.

Red Bay, Ala.
Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in Jesus' Name:
I thank God for saving, sancti-

fyng and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. The fire is still burning in my soul.
The devil tempts us in many ways but thank God, we can look to Jesus and trust in Him. I thank God for the meeting we have had. Bless the Lord. I thank Him for the souls He has saved.
I ask the saints to pray for me that I may stay humble at Jesus' feet and do His will at all times.
Your sister in Jesus,
Virdia Collier.

Moffitt, Fla.
Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Evangel Readers:
I am praising God for victory and because I can live by the teachings of the dear old Church of God.
The Lord wonderfully blesses me. I was walking along last Sunday and the power came on me and I talked in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. The Lord can bless when we are alone.
I want all of you dear saints to pray for me that I may be true till Jesus comes, also pray that my mother and father will come this way.
Your humble brother in Christ,
C. M. Lowe.

Mulga, Ala.
To All the Dear Saints:
I want to sound a note of praise in behalf of the Evangel that brings food to my soul through its columns. How I thank God for the message in the paper, May the 24, concerning the dear old Church of God, of which I am a member. As I was nearing the end of the message, the Holy Ghost began witnessing to it by speaking in other tongues through me, thank God, Hallelujah.
Who can doubt that we are in the church that Jesus built. He said the gates of hell should not prevail against it. (Matt. 16: 18.)
Saints, let us fall in line and keep rubbing the dust off so the church will shine and the world will know she is the Church of God. Hallelujah, what a thought! Jesus full salvation brought. He died on the rugged cross with a crown of thorns upon His head. (John 19:5.)
Dear saints, pray for me and my loved ones and for our little Sunday School here. I am the only Church of God member that I know of. Pray much for me.
Your sister looking for Jesus,
Mrs. Sarah J. Hosmer.

The Need of Ministers of the Gospel

(Continued from page 1)
able to save up for other days. I want to tell you that people want to hear the full gospel of Jesus Christ and in these days they are willing to pay for it.
Some may think that I am taking up the subject in a purely money sense, I am so far. Because I know that every man must face these propositions when he starts into the work of the Lord. Some fail to count the cost and run into debt and have to go back to work to pay the debts that they have made while preaching, but I am inclined to believe that there will be fewer and fewer circumstances of this kind. Moreover the General Headquarters is endeavoring to even the thing up as much as possible.
Now if you were going into a new job you wouldn't expect to make as much as the fellow that has been on that job for several years, would you? Yet some of our good folks get discouraged when they start to preach because they can't get the same amount in collections as some of the other preachers, who may have been preaching for several years.
Are you ready to preach? You hear the call for preachers, and you want to go. You have the baptism with the Holy Ghost, and speak in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. That is absolutely necessary. Why not sit down and think a minute, "am I ready to preach?" Have you ever read the Bible through? What would you think of a soldier who was going into battle with a machine gun and had never operated one before he went over the top? The machine gun would get "jammed" and he wouldn't know how to clear it. If you don't know the Bible you may get mixed up somewhere, and make a mistake. Of course there are some fundamentals of doctrine that you won't get mixed up on, yet there are many things about the Bible that you should be perfectly clear on before starting out alone. The Holy Spirit will teach you, that is true, but at the same time, the Bible says, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Therefore I should like to make a suggestion to you. If you think that you could preach, and you can if you know how to talk, and know the voice of the Spirit, why don't you sit down and say to yourself something like this: "Here I am working day in and day out for someone else. When the year is done the firm I work for will be bigger and bigger, but I will be just the same. I should do something for the Lord, for He has done so much for me. If Brother Jones can be a preacher I can too. If he can succeed I can too. I will pray as hard as he has, I will study and read as he has, and I will do something for God—I decide today."
The Church of God is young. There's plenty of room for every one. Make up your mind today that you will join in the big effort to save souls. Your life will be happier, your home will be happier. You say you have not enough education. Yes, you have. Of course you will want to study a great deal, and pray a great deal, but you have enough education. There's room for you, and the Church is calling you. Why don't you make up your mind to do something for the church? It would be fine if you could attend the Church of God Bible Training School at Cleveland, Tennessee. But probably you can't do that. Well, then, I suggest that you take up the Bible Training by Correspondence, and study at home. By this systematic study

at home you would be surprised at the progress you could make in learning the Scriptures.
And the reward: I believe I have shown you that if you will preach, and put your soul and life into it like you do into your work, that your pecuniary reward will be ample. Then there remains the reward, that you are laying up treasures in heaven where moth and rust do not corrupt and where thieves do not break through and steal.
And I want to tell you some other rewards: Folks will learn to respect and reverence you, as you work for the Lord. The weak will come to you for strength, and the sorrowful will come to you for comfort. You will become a power for good; you'll be somebody that will be missed when you are away. You'll be the leader in community life, and one whose advice others will often seek. It will be an honor.
If you have a feeling that to become minister would be a sacrifice in many ways, I want you to get away from that feeling.
If there will be financial loss count that as an investment. Supposing you were going into business for yourself, you would make an investment, wouldn't you? And be assured that the investment is well-secured and will always be paid sometime. I would therefore urge you to consider this proposition seriously. What is going to be your life work anyhow? What is it that you are planning to do so that when you shall have finished your course you can say "This I have done"? Are your plans rather mixed? Talk it over with some minister of your acquaintance. Or if that is not convenient write the Evangel Office and we will endeavor to be of any assistance that we can to you. You and I are going before God some day to give an account of our stewardship, and what will our answer be? I urge you to pray over this matter very seriously.
WANTED— Some Church of God man or lady who feels led of God to assist us in the gospel work, as organist and altar worker.
We have work planned ahead until the Assembly D.V. and need some one who is willing to fast and pray and work for the salvation of lost souls.
Your little brother,
E.C. Scarbrough.
R- 3, In care of T. E. Shadden,
Bonham, Texas.
3t.
THE TEN VIRGINS
W. M. Rumler.
As many times as we have read the parable of the ten virgins recorded in the 25th chapter of Matthew, it is very probable that many of the most significant thoughts presented in the parable, have been over-looked by us. But as the time approaches for the fulfillment of any prophecy or parable the Holy Ghost begins to reveal these Scriptures more clearly to the mind of those who with humility and sincerity search into them to know more about His precious Word.
In writing on this subject Jesus says, "Then shall the Kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins which took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom." The thought which most strikingly impresses me in this parable is the time when it will be fulfilled. In the previous chapter Jesus gives a lengthy discourse on His second coming. He has reference to the time when He shall appear to catch away His bride.
We will notice that they were

virgins and not sinners as some claim. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him. The midnight cry will be made about the winding up of the Gentile age and the awful bursting forth of the tribulations of the world.
The midnight cry—Weddings in the east occur in the evening accompanied by night processions. Jesus will come in the evening of the Gentile age which is rapidly drawing to a close, to be followed by the dark night of the great tribulation and this followed by the beautiful millennial morn. Glory, Hallelujah!
We notice there are three pictures referred to in Luke 17: 34-36, concerning His coming again to catch away His bride. It will be night in some places, morning in some, and day in some. There shall be two in one bed; the one shall be taken and the other left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, the other left. Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, whosoever the body (Church) is, thither will the eagles be gathered together. These virgins were all asleep but I want to be wide awake. So many precious souls have received the oil in their vessels but are now sleeping and thinking they will be able to get oil in their vessels. Oil is a type of the Holy Ghost. And the foolish said unto the wise, "Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out." The Greeks say, "Our lamps are burning low," that is at the point of going out, showing that they were Christians and had some grace and had been able to maintain a perfectly correct outward life as good as the others but not till that awful crisis did they find their awful lack of real fitness to meet Jesus.
O, how this truth should search our hearts to the innermost, we should see more than over the need of having something more than a mere profession. May God help us to stay on fire for Him and be ready to go up in the rapture, having our lamps trimmed and burning, oil in our vessels, and not asleep.
Let us get the eagle experience. But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary, and they shall walk, and not faint. Isa. 40:31. To get this experience read Heb. 12:1, and follow it and we will be able to go up when Jesus appears to catch away His bride. I want to be at that grand marriage supper of the Lamb. I don't want to be in the sleeping crowd.
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